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herein consists of personal comments and does not represent the official
policies or positions of any party. Your mileage may vary. So there.

Date: Thu, 02 Jun 1994 03:11:07 -0500
From: galileo.cc.rochester.edu!ee.rochester.edu!rochgte!UUCP@cs.rochester.edu
Subject: 440 in So. Cal.
To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

DF> It sounds like he wants to throw out twenty years of legitimate
DF> coordination because =he= doesn't like it. Let's not loose sight of
DF> the fact the FCC explicitly permits closed repeaters.

DF> Sounds like a simple case of the "have nots" wanting to throw out the
DF> "haves."

Well, it certainly doesn't seem too coordinated when you have to
fight to get a word in on the 2M band in Southern Cal. Opening

440 would spread operators out more and give everybody a chance.

... Catch the Blue Wave!

Date: 4 Jun 94 12:22:39 GMT
From: brunix!pstc3.pstc.brown.edu!md@uunet.uu.net
Subject: 440 in So. Cal.
To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

Brad.Ward@f2711.n206.z1.fidonet.org (Brad Ward) writes:

> Well, it certainly doesn't seem too coordinated when you have to
> fight to get a word in on the 2M band in Southern Cal. Opening
> 440 would spread operators out more and give everybody a chance.

Why touch 440? Why not simply move upspectrum to another one of the
amateur bands?

Amateurs are constantly giving lip service to "protecting their
spectrum", yet it appears all they ever want to do is find a yak-box
on a VHF frequency, or now, a 440mhz frequency.

MD

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-- Michael P. Deignan
-- Amalgamated Baby Seal Poachers Union, Local 101
-- "Get 'The Club'... Endorsed by Baby Seal poachers everywhere..."

Date: Sat, 04 Jun 1994 01:47:49 GMT
From: elroy.jpl.nasa.gov!usc!math.ohio-state.edu!magnus.acs.ohio-state.edu!
usenet.ins.cwru.edu!lerc.nasa.gov!kira.cc.uakron.edu!malgudi.oar.net!witch!
doghouse!jsalemi@ames.arpa
Subject: Cancun Repeaters
To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

In article <1994Jun3.081906.655@atlas.tntech.edu>, Jeff M. Gold (jmg@tntech.edu)
writes:

>Anyone know of any current repeater frequencies in Cancun? I will be going
>there on Sunday.
>

The ARRL repeater directory lists one at 146.880-. You DO have a
reciprocal Mexican license, though, right? Otherwise, you run the

risk of having your radio confiscated by Mexican Customs when you get off the plane. You of course also need the Mexican license to transmit there.

73...joe

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jerry@ucbvax.berkeley.edu
Subject: FCC computers up!
To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

In article <2skv9f\$a2l@bigfoot.wustl.edu>, jlw3@cec3.wustl.edu (Jesse L Wei) writes:

> Well, I found out something new today. FCC says that their new computer system
> was online as of two (2) days ago, and they're processing about 300
> applications a day. Now that hasn't helped me, as I passed the test >5 months
> ago and still haven't heard a peep from them. They also said that they're
> withholding the tech-plus applications till last?

That's 6 per state per day. Makes you wonder what it was like before computers.

Date: 4 Jun 94 15:14:01 GMT
From: dog.ee.lbl.gov!agate!spool.mu.edu!mnemosyne.cs.du.edu!nyx10.cs.du.edu!not-
for-mail@ucbvax.berkeley.edu
Subject: FCC computers up!
To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

In article <1994Jun4.081913.2429@hnrc.tufts.edu>,
Jerry Dallal <jerry@hnrc.tufts.edu> wrote:
>That's 6 per state per day. Makes you wonder what it was like before
>computers.

Well, remember that the FCC most likely has one person doing applications;
there are 480-man-minutes per day, which means they're spending 1 minute, 36
seconds on each application if they're heads-down for the full day with no

breaks. I'd say they're doing pretty well...but I also understand that's cold comfort for folks waiting on license processing.

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Jay Maynard, EMT-P, K5ZC, PP-ASEL | Never ascribe to malice that which can
jmaynard@admin5.hsc.uth.tmc.edu | adequately be explained by stupidity.
To Sarah Brady, Howard Metzenbaum, Dianne Feinstein, and Charles Schumer:
Thanks. Without you, I would be neither a gun owner nor an NRA life member.

Date: Thu, 02 Jun 1994 03:11:08 -0500
From: galileo.cc.rochester.edu!ee.rochester.edu!rochgte!UUCP@cs.rochester.edu
Subject: Ham Radio few problem
To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

JETI> Most recently the FCC has affirmed that the repeater operator has the
JETI> right to say who uses the repeater. If you jammers are such jerks
that
JETI> the operator doesn't want you using his machine, he can boot you off
JETI> even an _open_ repeater.

If the control operator has the right to boot anybody off an open
repeater, what's the point of having a closed machine?

... Catch the Blue Wave!

Date: 4 Jun 1994 04:14:52 GMT
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hopper.acm.org!ACM.ORG!MANGEFESTE@network.ucsd.edu
Subject: Kenwood 733A
To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

Just out of curiosity, how much are the Kenwood 733A costing these days?
(Just to see how cheap I can get it for, and whether or not I should buy one
at Ham-Com).

73's
Tony
KC5DHJ

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Subject: Legal Protections for Hams
To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

Pete Goodman, P.E., NI9N posts:

>On a VERRRRRRY loosely related subject, how about eliminating the
>"industrial exemption" clause in your state's engineering registration law?
>These exemptions, which most if not all states have, allow unlicensed
>"engineers (who may not even have any engineering education or experience)
>to practice as engineers as long as they only design manufactured goods. Would
>you allow an unlicensed physician, who can only kill one person at a time to
>practice medicine? How about an unlicensed automotive "engineer" who could
>kill many people with a single mistake?

That's assuming that having a P.E. means you know what you are doing. Or
that going to college teaches one what the real engineering world is all
about. It takes more than a piece of paper to make an engineer. After all
Apple wasn't founded by degreed or PE'd folks. Neither was Microsoft...

Does the title of engineer make them one legally? I have been a Field
Engineer, Systems Engineer and Proposals Engineer, but have my college
background in Geology/Meteorology and no PE. (I also had a better
understanding about the real world of engineering and electronics than
a many of my degreed and/or PE'd counterparts.

I'd rather see more emphasis put on licensing managers. After all, the
Challenger was the prime example of management saying "Ship it" when
it wasn't ready you'll ever find. No matter what the engineers or PE's
say, managers have a lot more say in most companies.

Yes, I know thats not ham radio. But this is:

If my antenna(s) get struck by lightning am I liable to my neighbor?
I've had this happen to me with no damage but my neighbors TV got zapped.
(I fixed it, a blown fuse). Any legal eagles have any ideas on this?

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Subject: Legal Protections for Hams
To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

>>
Would I want an unlicensed automotive "engineer"
to design the vehicle I'm riding in.
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I don't think the engineers in Japan have a US license.... I'd rather
ride in a car designed by them than by GM, Ford, or Chrisler

Jose

Date: 3 Jun 1994 23:38:04 -0400
From: newstf01.cr1.aol.com!search01.news.aol.com!not-for-mail@uunet.uu.net
Subject: Legal Protections for Hams
To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

I'm opposed in general to most licensing requirements. Even barbers
are required to be licensed.. (because once, long ago, they performed
"surgery") Beautician need to be licenced... I have no idea why.
(but it increases the profits of the beauticians who are licensed by
elimitating competition) I agree that some professions seem to need
licensing, but be careful... lest computer programmers be licensed,
computers be registered (as tools of the trade) because one bug in a
computer program can bring down the entire telephone system, or a
hundred airplanes at once.

The government is protecting us against too much. I'd like to see
that trend reversed.... and (to segue back to ham radio) would like
to see ham radio forever exempted from the "radiation" laws being
passed in New Jersey or Pennsylvaina... In fact, I'd like to see the
laws repealed in general.

Jose KD1SB

Date: 4 Jun 94 13:09:42 GMT
From: world!drt@uunet.uu.net
Subject: Legal Protections for Hams
To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

Teacherjh (teacherjh@aol.com) wrote:

: I'm opposed in general to most licensing requirements. Even barbers
: are required to be licensed.. (because once, long ago, they performed
: "surgery") Beautician need to be licenced... I have no idea why.
: (but it increases the profits of the beauticians who are licensed by
: elimitating competition)

And it gives the government something to revoke or deny when they want
to expel you from your line of work, no matter how arbitrary the
reasons.

-drt

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Date: Fri, 3 Jun 1994 18:05:08 GMT
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Subject: Log program (ibmpc) for VHF contest??
To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

Is there an available (via FTP, etc.) a program
that aids in logging QSO's, grid squares, etc.?

I was thinking of participating in this weekend's
VHF contest, and thought a logging program would
help.

Thanks!

..... Mark E. Ellis <mellis@ramcad.pica.army.mil>
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csus.edu!netcom.com!rogjd@ames.arpa
Subject: PRB-1: How Strong?
To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

Dana Myers (myers@spot.West.Sun.COM) wrote:

: Well, if the CLARA group keeps getting civil injunctions that pre-empt
: Federal regulation, PRB-1 will be moot.

I absolutely agree with you. I think that the way CLARA is going about
its problems absolutely sucks. Very much against the best interests of
the hobby.

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: * Dana H. Myers KK6JQ, DoD#: j | Views expressed here are

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: * (310) 348-6043 | mine and do not necessarily

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: * Dana.Myers@West.Sun.Com | reflect those of my employer

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: * This Extra supports the abolition of the 13 and 20 WPM tests *

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Date: Sat, 4 Jun 1994 03:15:56 GMT

From: get.hooked.net!news.sprintlink.net!news.dorsai.org!bigsteve@decwrl.dec.com

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Westlink Report Names KD4CKP as 1994 Young Ham of the Year
Louisville Girl Takes Top Honor in Tough Competition

In what one of the evaluator termed "the most difficult choice we have had to make," Allison D. Zettwoch, KD4CKP, was chosen by a select panel of judges over several other well qualified nominees to be named 1994 Westlink Report Young Ham of the Year.

The person selected for this honor must be representative of today's young hams, and Allison Zettwoch well fits that description.

Allison has been responsible for introducing many other young people, especially Boy and Girl Scouts, to the world of amateur radio. She taught a Novice license class to achieve her Girl Scout Silver Award, and regularly assists or substitutes for her father Larry, KR4IF, when he teaches amateur radio classes. KD4CKP has promoted ham radio in Louisville by, among other things, helping to set up demonstrations during local festivals. She serves as the youngest net control operator for the Amateur Radio Transmitting Society's regular Thursday net, and has developed technical skills as well as operating ones.

Allison, active in the Amateur Radio Transmitting Society of Louisville, is comfortable helping less experienced amateurs during Field Day and at scouting's Jamboree on the Air. In fact, Allison has involved a new Explorer post (number 262) in ham radio, including getting the post president licensed and inspired to train others in the post!

Did Allison get dragged, kicking and screaming into the hobby by her father, as many kids reportedly are? No way! In fact, this year's Young Ham of the Year came across an article in a youth magazine which inspired her to seek a license, and brought both her father and her mother into the fold. What about brother Evan? He's not licensed yet, but then he's only 6.

Allison was nominated as Young Ham when she was just 14 years old, but got the word of her winning on her fifteenth birthday, May 12th.

Has she been resting since her nomination? Not according to John Embry, KR4RL, who nominated her. Embry says that Allison continues to be a motivating force among the young people in ham radio in and around the Louisville area. He told Westlink Report that two of the youngsters that she recruited into the hobby have themselves become true leaders in their own right. One, Shannon Metcalf, KD4RER, now serves on the board of directors of a major Louisville ham club.

Embry also says that Allison continues her activities of recruiting young scouts into the ranks of ham radio. At the recent South Louisville Community Festival she actively discussed ham radio with every person who ventured nearby the station and display -- a exhibit that she personally conceived, designed and helped to staff.

In addition to all of this, Allison still manages to maintain a remarkable 4.0 grade point average! She is taking ground school instruction in anticipation of getting a private pilot's license as soon as she turns 16 years old.

KD4CKP says that she loves scuba diving and will be going to China this coming summer as a part of a special school-sponsored event. And Allison has just assumed the job of Editor of "Watts New," the official newsletter of the A.R.T.S. club.

The Westlink Report Young Ham of the Year Award exists in great part because of the ongoing support of Yaesu U.S.A. Corporation. The company has underwritten this program since its inception. On learning of the selection of Allison Zettwoch as this year's winner, Kevin Karamanos, WD6DIH, Yaesu's National Sales Manager, released a statement of congratulations to KD4CKP on her selection.

Karamanos said that: "Yaesu is once again proud to see so many fine young people becoming deeply involved with Amateur Radio. This is the primary reason that we support this award program. To us, Allison Zettwoch, KD4CKP, is an excellent example of today's American youth and we join with all of the nation's radio amateurs -- young and old -- in commending Allison on her fantastic achievements at such a young age."

Thanks to the ongoing generosity of Yaesu U.S.A, and with special thanks to the sponsors of the 1994 Sea-Pac Convention, Allison Zettwoch, KD4CKP, will receive her award the evening of Saturday, June 4th, at the convention's banquet in Seaside, Oregon. On hand to make the presentation will be Westlink Report Editor/Publisher Burt Hicks, WB6MQV; Yaesu USA representative Harold Christensen, KG7NB; and Newsline Producer Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF. It was Pasternak who created the Westlink Report Young Ham of the Year Award program back in 1986. Yaesu USA has served as corporate underwriter ever since, and will present Allison with "something special" to help her continue her ambitious Amateur Radio related activities.

Previous recipients of the Westlink Report Young Ham of the

Year include Shawn Alan Wakefield, WK5P, of Bartlesville, Oklahoma (1986); David Rosenman, KA9PMK, of Muncie, Indiana (1987); Jonathan Binstock, NK3D, of Potomac, Maryland (1988); Erin Marie McGinnis, KA0WTE, of Topeka, Kansas (1989); Mary F. Alestra, KB2IGG, from Staten Island, New York (1990); Richard S. "Sammy" Garrett, AA0CR, of Florissant, Missouri (1991); Angela Fischer, KB0HXY, of Fenton, Missouri (1992); and Kevin Boudreaux, N5XMH, from Terrytown, Louisiana (1993).

Westlink Report and Yaesu U.S.A. Corporation know that the entire world of Amateur Radio join with them in offering congratulations to Allison D. Zettwoch, KD4CKP for her selection as the 1994 Westlink Report Young Ham of the Year!

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The previous message was forwarded to me for posting by Dale Cary.

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csus.edu!netcom.com!rogjd@ames.arpa
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References <CqL1lu.F40@news.Hawaii.Edu>, <2sja4j\$lni@abyss.West.Sun.COM>,
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Subject : Re: Reality check (was Re: Ham Radio few problem)

Jeffrey Herman (jherman@uhunix3.uhcc.Hawaii.Edu) wrote:
: In article <2sja4j\$lni@abyss.West.Sun.COM> myers@cypress.West.Sun.COM writes:
: >
: >It is common human nature for insecure, unhappy people to deride others.
: >Too bad some have to cope with their frailties by condemning others, no?

: ``Physician, Heal Thyself.''

: I knew the Defender of Radio Lawbreakers would eventually surface. You
: came to Bly's defense in December when he bragged about operating
: without a license, and now in June Bly resurfaces and so do you.

Oh, come on, this is silly and asinine. Linking Dana to Bly when what he is really doing is offering a well-reasoned response on the subject of this thread.

Your attitude is an example of the discredited practice of attacking one's opponent rather than addressing the argument.

: Now, concerning HF CW, to the uninitiated, DX pileups might sound as if
: everyone is jamming one another but there is a sense of order in all
: those hetrodyne squeals. Music to my ears!

Both true and untrue. There are plenty of lids and jammers on HF CW.
But they are a small minority, true. No different than 2M FM in So.
Cal. No different at all.

73 and cheers.

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References <gregCqtnE8.H5o@netcom.com>, <2snjlc\$72p@nyx10.cs.du.edu>,
<gregCqu5LJ.62G@netcom.com>x10
Subject : Re: 440 in So. Cal.

In article <gregCqu5LJ.62G@netcom.com>, Greg Bullough <greg@netcom.com> wrote:
>The same way owners of AM stations were compensated when SSB became good
>amateur practice. The same way the owners of spark sets were compensated
>when CW became all the rage.

In other words, "You pioneered the band. We're going to take it away from you.
Don't like it? Tough."

Da, comrade.

> 1. He can open the machine; probably wouldn't change much,
> as the people who 'hang out' on the pair probably will
> continue to dominate it.

You obviously haven't seen a trustee run off of his own repeater by an
invading crowd of users. I have. That's a Good Thing only if you're a
welfare-state communist..."from each according to his ability, to each
according to his needs". Feh.

> 2. He can salvage the support and control systems, and utilize
> them as the core of a new machine with different RF decks
> up on a less crowded band.

The support and control systems pale in cost beside the RF - don't forget antenna and duplexer as well as RF decks.

> 3. He can sell the machine to the organization who will run it.

For a pittance; after all, they know he'll have no use for it.

>Such is the price of progress.

Da, comrade.

>Yes. That's true. And they moved up because there was a shortage of room
>on 144. Guess what? The problem followed. As it will inevitably follow
>them to 1.2Ghz, after maybe a few good years. Such is the price of
>exclusivity.

They moved up as part of a bargain: "You put your stuff up on 440 and leave us alone on 2." Now you're proposing to renege on that deal. Why should you be trusted in the future to do anything but take, take, take, and steal?

>On the other hand, if amateur radio as a whole decides that open machines have
>priority, and pre-emptive priority where necessary, with reasonable opportunity
>to move, then the courts won't support any self-serving fool who decides to
>buck progress.

Are you prepared to defend that idea with your bank account, not to mention your future livelihood? I sure as hell am not, and those are exactly the stakes.

>Yup. And they can trust just the opposite... ...they will continue to have
>to go up-spectrum to get away from the crowds, just as the country is
>becoming farther and farther away from down-town.

They made a deal. You're proposing to abrogate that deal. Don't be surprised when you start a war; that's what happens when countries break deals.

>So if I decide to put an open repeater on the frequency of your closed
>coordinated repeater in the same coverage area you believe that you must share
>the frequency with me, if nobody is on your machine and I, for example, publish
>my PL tones? And that, as control operator, you will humbly shut down your
>machine if someone from your group accesses it while mine has people talking
>on it?

If your open repeater is also coordinated, that's exactly what I mean...as

long as you are willing to do the same.

If, OTOH, your repeater is NOT coordinated, then Part 97 is clear: it's primarily YOUR responsibility to see that there is no interference.

>Is that what you're volunteering? If not, then you effectively 'own' the
>pair for the coverage area, or are claiming some sort of primacy on the
>frequency.

As Part 97 provides. It's NOT the frequency, though. IT'S THE STATION, STUPID!
(no, I'm not saying you personally are stupid; that's a play on a campaign
slogan from 1992.)

The FCC obviously disagrees with you.

>All the semantics and vested-interest arguments are understood. Those of
>us who believe that open machines come first when the crunch comes simply
>reject them. We understand that it causes burden and expense to closed
>machine users. And we still believe that it's the right thing to do.

Got deep pockets? I can tell you exactly what it'll take to get coordinating
bodies to adopt your agenda: Pledge your financial support to whatever extent
is necessary to keep directors of those bodies, and their families, from
suffering from the inevitable lawsuits arising from that action. Anything
else is simply irresponsible on the part of those directors; I'm not going to
open myself to the kind of liability that would entail.

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Jay Maynard, EMT-P, K5ZC, PP-ASEL | Never ascribe to malice that which can
jmaynard@admin5.hsc.uth.tmc.edu | adequately be explained by stupidity.
To Sarah Brady, Howard Metzenbaum, Dianne Feinstein, and Charles Schumer:
Thanks. Without you, I would be neither a gun owner nor an NRA life member.

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